

Attendance : Ron Skallerud, Terry Lukas, Dick Popp, Cindy Gretzinger (on call), Kathy Mclaughlin, Jim Rosenburg, Chris Shafer, Mary Belland, Nathan Sandwick

1. Call Meeting to Order 3:01PM
2. Approval of Agenda
 - 1st - Cindy Gretzinger 2nd - Dick Popp All in Favor - Yes
3. Approval of 10/24/2023 Meeting Minutes
 - 1st - Cindy Gretzinger 2nd - Terry Lukas All in Favor - Yes
4. Treasurer's Report
 - 1st - Chris Shafer 2nd - Cindy Gretzinger All in Favor - Yes
5. Director's report
 - a. Loan Status
 - i. Will discuss in closed session for confidentiality purposes
6. Partner Reports
 - a. Jim Rosenburg - initiative THRIVE Program through WEDC. Mary Belland Applied for this through Visit Forest County. If awarded \$25,000 in TA Assistance, and \$25,000 implantation of projects. Jim is working on a developer for rural housing development in Rhinelander, New Hotel going in out by culvers.
 - b. Kathy Blackwell Job Corps - 85+ students currently enrolled, Job Placement and internships are going well, April 25th we are hosting the Building and Construction Trade Council Fair, 140 schools were invited, last year 300+ students attended. Blackwell Job Corps would like to host another meeting for FCEDP this spring.
 - c. Nathan Sandwick (RPN) - discussion on the connections he has made in the county. General Updates - Big list of opportunities in the area that fit local projects was sent in December, He has reached out to individuals with specific needs, More stakeholder meetings are needed, more insight on community development needed.
7. Closed Session: The Committee may consider a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. stat 19.85(1)(e) "deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session."
 - Discussion on Loan Funds
 - a) Enter closed session
Ron Skallerud - aye, Dick Popp - aye, Chris Shafer - aye, Cindy Gretzinger - aye,
Terry Lukas - aye, Dick Popp - aye
8. Reconvene to open session to take action, if appropriate, on matters discussed in closed session
 - a. No Actions need to be taken

- b. 1st - Dick Popp 2nd - Ron Skallerud All in Favor - Yes
9. Any other business
- a. No Discussion
10. Next Meeting
- a. 2/27/2024
11. Adjourn 4:13PM
- 1st - Chris Shafer 2nd - Ron Skallerud All in Favor - Ye

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16. Adjourn